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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2007, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, Applicant submits the present amendment and response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

Claims 1-16 remain pending in the application. New Claims 17 and 18 have been added. No claims have been amended or canceled. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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